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DETAILED ACTION

1. This is in response to the amendment filed on 1 July 2010.
2. Claims 1, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10 and 12-15 are pending in the application.
3. Claims 1, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10 and 12-15 have been allowed.
4. Claims 2, 3, 5, 8, 11 and 16-20 have been cancelled.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

5. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Robert B. Levy on 22 July 2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 16 (Cancelled).

Claim 17 (Cancelled).

Claim 18 (Cancelled).

Claim 19 (Cancelled).

Claim 20 (Cancelled).

Allowable Subject Matter

6. Claims 1, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10 and 12-15 are allowed.

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Conclusion

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ARAVIND K. MOORTHY whose telephone number is (571)272-3793. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 8:00-5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, William R. Korzuch can be reached on 571-272-7589. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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